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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Title: INHIBITOR AND ACTIVATOR FOR COUPLING
FACTOR-6 AND USE THEREOF

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO BE ENTERED PRIOR
TO CALCULATION OF FILING FEE**Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment of the subject
application prior to calculation of the filing fee of this application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

See the attached Appendix for the changes made to effect the below
paragraphs.

Page 1, paragraph starting at line 5

This invention relates to diagnostic methods and a diagnostic aid for
judging the onset and progress of diseases associated with a change in the
coupling factor (CF6) level in the blood, diseases in association with the excess or
shortage of PGI₂ or diseases associated with the accentuation or attenuation of
cPLA₂ function, which may be referred to as cPLA₂ hyperfunction or cPLA₂